## WINTER COYOTE ACTIVITY

December is the beginning of coyote breeding season in Colorado. Coyotes are likely to be seen in pairs and become more territorial during this time. Larger dogs (25 lbs and up) may attract more attention than normal as coyotes watch out for potential competition. Keep dogs on a leash and attended when outside and never let them off leash in open spaces. Smaller dogs and cats can also draw unwanted attention if they are free roaming or left unattended outdoors as food is scarcer during cold winter months. Coyotes are also currently scouting den locations for spring pups. They'll prepare several areas so they can move pups around if a location becomes unsafe. If you notice a lot of activity in an unfavorable place (like backyards, playgrounds, etc.) spending time around the area will discourage coyote activity. If you encounter a coyote that shows attention to you or your pet face it, act large and scary, let it know that you are a potential threat and it should avoid you!

Want to learn more about coyotes and/or solving coyote conflicts with people and pets? The Town has **TWO** opportunities:

**Coyote How to Haze Hike!** Join us for a FREE informational hike about coyotes on January 16<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 am at the Community Park basketball courts along Coalton Road and Indiana Street in Superior. This special program will be led by Town Wildlife Ecologist Ashley DeLaup. For more details and to register, please visit:

https://connect001.rectrac.com/wbwsc/cosuperior 1.wsc/wbsearch.html?xxmod=AR&xxtype=GEN&wbsi

AND

## Watch a FREE pre-recorded WEBINAR now!

"Coyotes in Your Neighborhood: Strategies for Addressing Common Concerns" by the Humane Society Academy. Register here and webinar will download: <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/200000000028351894">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/200000000028351894</a>